

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – Revenue Department – Allegation of corruption against Sri K.Venkataramana Rao, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Alwala Village, Gonegandla Mandal, Kurnool District – Trapped by the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials on 09-09-2008 – Prosecution – Charge-sheet filed - Accused Officer acquitted by the Hon'ble Court of the First Addl. Special Judge for S.P.E. & A.C.B. cases, Hyderabad on 24-02-2012 in C.C.No.36/2009 – Further action dropped and the period of suspension treated as "on duty" – orders - Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE-VII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1206

Dated: 14-08-2012.

Read the following:

1. From the D.G., A.C.B., Hyderabad, Letter Rc.No.213/RCT-KUR/2008-S6, Dt.28-05-2009.
2. G.O.Ms.No.1056, Revenue (Vig.VII) Department, Dt.08-10-2009.
3. From the D.G., A.C.B., Hyderabad, Letter Rc.No.213/RCT-KUR/2008-S6, Dt.01-03-2012.
4. From the D.G., A.C.B., Hyderabad, Letter Rc.No.213/RCT-KUR/2008-S6, Dt.19-04-2012 together with the Judgment Dated: 24-02-2012 in C.C.No.36/2009 of the Hon'ble Court of the First Additional Special Judge for S.P.E. & A.C.B. Cases, Hyderabad.

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ORDER:

Whereas it has been brought to the notice that one Sri K. Venkataramana Rao, formerly Village Revenue Officer, Alwala Village, Gonegandla Mandal, Kurnool District was trapped by the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials on 09-09-2008, when he demanded and accepted illegal gratification of Rs.1,000/- from the complainant. On the said allegation and based on the recommendation made by the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, through the reference 1st read above, Government after careful examination of the matter, have accorded sanction to prosecute the Accused Officer in a court of law through the reference 2nd read above. Accordingly, the Accused Officer was charge-sheeted in a court of law.

2. In the reference 3rd read above the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has informed that the Hon'ble Court of the First Additional Special Judge for S.P.E. & Anti-Corruption Bureau cases-cum-V-Additional Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad has pronounced judgment on 24-02-2012 in C.C.No.36/2009 stating that the Accused Officer was found not guilty of the charges framed against him for the offences under sections 7, 13(2) read-with section 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and he was acquitted under section 248(1) Cr.P.C. While submitting the copy of the above Judgment, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has further informed that the Bureau is of the opinion that there are no grounds to prefer an appeal against the acquittal orders of the Lower Court.

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3. After careful examination of the entire matter keeping in view the Judgment Dt.24-02-2012 passed by the Hon'ble Court of the First Additional Special Judge for S.P.E. & Anti-Corruption Bureau cases-cum-V-Additional Chief Judge, City Civil Court, Hyderabad in C.C.No.36/2009 and keeping in view the opinion of the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, stating that there are no grounds to prefer an appeal against the acquittal orders of the Lower Court, Government have decided to drop further action and to treat the suspension period as "on duty" since the trial court has held that there was no demand or acceptance of bribe nor any official favour – as such the suspension was wholly unjustified.

4. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action in the matter and treat the period of suspension as 'on duty' since the trial court has held that there was no demand or acceptance of bribe nor any official favour and as such the suspension was wholly unjustified.

5. The District Collector, Kurnool District is requested to take necessary further action, accordingly.

6. This may please be treated as "Most-Immediate".

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K.Venkataramana Rao, formerly Village Revenue Officer,
Alwala Village, Gonegandla Mandal, Kurnool District
through the District Collector, Kurnool District.

The District Collector, Kurnool District at **KURNOOL**.

Copy to:

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, A.P.Vigilance Commission,
Hyderabad.

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